

## REMARKS

This *Amendment* is responsive to the Official Action mailed July 1, 2005, and is accompanied by a petition for extension of time with the required fee. Original claims 1-7, 9-15, 17, 19 and 20 are pending. Claims 8, 16 and 18 have been canceled, without prejudice.

In the Official Action, claims 1-4 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as being anticipated by Soll et al., United States Published Patent No. 2003/0055679. Claims 5 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Soll et al. Claims 7 and 9-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Soll et al. in view of Ballantyne et al., United States Patent No. 5,867,821.

Reconsideration of claims 1-7, 9-15, 17, 19 and 20 is respectfully requested. Original independent claim 1 has been rewritten to include the subject matter of dependent claim 8, which is canceled hereby, without prejudice. Original independent claim 9 has been rewritten to include the subject matter of dependent claim 16, which is canceled hereby, without prejudice. Original independent claim 17 has been rewritten to include the subject matter of dependent claim 18, which is canceled hereby, without prejudice. Claims 1, 9 and 17 as amended -- as well as claims 2-7, 10-15, 19 and 20 depending therefrom -- are placed in form for allowance.

The invention disclosed and claimed by applicant is distinguished in providing non-interactive programming in the waiting room, with helps for patients and their guests to remember which sets of programming were worth review remotely online in thereafter an interactive usage-environment. That is, the programming is just a straight feed in the waiting room, it being pre-selected for waiting-room parties based on their predicted interests. Whereas the present generation of waiting-room parties have no input into the present scope of predicted interests, as time extends and they become a past generation their online usage of the programming will modify the future scope of predicted interests by online means for the benefit of future generations of waiting-room parties.

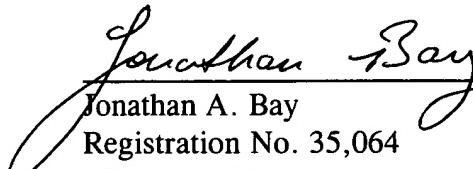
The claimed invention includes steps that are not found in the prior art of record, enabling processes not mentioned or suggested by in the prior art of record, to provide advantages not comparably found in the prior art of record, whether considered individually or combined in routine combinations.

Every effort has been made to particularly and distinctly define the subject matter of the invention. The claims are definite, and are patentable over the prior art of record. The differences between the invention and the prior art are such that the subject matter claimed as a whole would not have been known or obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art. Reconsideration, and allowance of all the pending claims, are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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